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ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS

Dear Sir:

The Applicants for the subject patent application assert small entity status. Applicants note that they have been entitled to small entity status at least since filing the application on June 9, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

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